This course provides an overview of the economics literature in aging, primarily in the United States, but with some discussion of other countries. The course is organized around major topics in the empirical literature including saving for old age, retirement, the design and viability of social security systems, elder care, and inheritance. We will place special emphasis on the retirement decision and the role of institutions, health, and marriage. The course will emphasize reading the empirical literature in these areas and in depth discussion of the primary theories and methods used.

Prerequisite: Intermediate micro and econometrics.

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